

United States Senate  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-2003

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The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The people of Maryland need your immediate help. The damage and flooding caused by Hurricane Isabel was even worse than expected – and the flooding has not ended with the end of the hurricane. I urge you to immediately agree to the Governor of Maryland's request for emergency designation. Your action is needed now – to help the people and communities who have been devastated by the hurricane – and who continue to suffer.

I urge you to act quickly to approve the emergency designation for Maryland and for the Mid-Atlantic region.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Mikulski  
United States Senator